

State Candidates/Officeholders – Q&A

February 5, 2008 Election

1. *Must a state candidate's controlled committee file a pre-election report if it makes contributions to committees primarily formed to support or oppose ballot measures being voted on in the election?*

A: Regular pre-election reports are not required; however a supplemental pre-election statement (Form 495) is required if contributions totaling \$10,000 or more are made in connection with the election between August 5, 2007 and January 19, 2008. The statement (and the Form 460) is filed in each office where the committee is required to file its regular campaign statements and must be filed by guaranteed overnight service or personal delivery. If all of the contributions triggering the report are made by December 31, 2007, and the committee files its semi-annual statement by January 19, 2008, the supplemental pre-election statement is not required.

2. *Is a supplemental pre-election report required if the committee makes contributions totaling \$10,000 or more to a political party?*

A: No. However; if the political party committee has made contributions or expenditures to support or oppose a state ballot measure, a 496/497 Report may be required. See Regulation 18466.

3. *Must a committee that files the online independent expenditure report within 24 hours during the 90 days prior to an election also file the Supplemental Independent Expenditure Report (Form 465)?*

A: Yes. The online independent expenditure report does not replace, but is in addition to, the supplemental independent expenditure report.

4. *A state officeholder controls three committees, one formed for the current term of office, a re-election committee and a general purpose ballot measure committee. If one of the committees must file a supplemental independent expenditure report or a supplemental pre-election report in connection with the February election, must the other committees also file a report?*

A: No. Only the committee that triggers the reporting of a supplemental campaign statement must file. The report must be filed with the Secretary of State, the City and County of San Francisco, the County of Los Angeles, and the committee's county of domicile. The filing location addresses can be found on the FPPC web site at the following link: <http://www.fppc.ca.gov/index.html?id=19>

5. *Must a Supplemental Independent Expenditure Report (Form 465) be filed if an independent expenditure supports or opposes multiple ballot measures?*

A: Yes, but only if \$1,000 or more was expended to support or oppose each measure in the independent expenditure. A separate Form 465 must be filed for each measure supported or opposed.